

THE MAN
ABOUT
TOWN-BY-
Harry Tucker.

We don't enjoy the privilege of going to places of amusement often, but when we do go, we think we know a good thing when we see it.

Therefore, we have leave to arise and take off our hat in Miss Florence Hunt's little saloonette in the Great White Diamond Company.

The minute she appeared on the Broadway stage, she spread a distinctive brilliancy over herself, and caught the audience with her dainty manner and sweet voice.

The little saloonette left not many winters and summers behind her, and we bespeak for her plenty of success, with an accompanying lucre to help her wad off the storms that come as the winters grow longer.

Councilman Stein and Mr. Louis Gisselbrecht are on speaking terms again.

And this is why it is.

Deputy Sheriff Johnson, of Brooklyn, dropped in town, as is his wont every few months.

When he got here he thought he'd cause a little fun, so he went out quick to Dick Williams, we think, and got hold of the phone.

"Gimme Gisselbrecht," he said.

He got it.

"Is that Gisselbrecht?"

"Yes."

"This is Johnson. I got in a fight just now, and am locked up at the First Station. Come down and bail me out quick."

"Gosh," said Mr. Gisselbrecht, as he hung up the receiver. "Got to get Johnson out."

He looked around. His place was full of people, and his clerk was out.

"Can't shut up," he muttered, and then he caught sight of Councilman Stein with a bunch over his stove.

"Herman," he said, "there is a friend of mine of the name of Johnson under arrest at the First Station. Wants bail. I can't leave just now. You go down and bail him out. He's all right."

"Sure," said Mr. Stein, as he grabbed his overcoat and fairly flew down to the First Station.

When he got there, all out of breath, he could hardly speak.

"Set down," said Sergeant Werner. "and rest awhile."

"Don't need no rest," was the reply; "want to bail out my friend, Johnson. How much?"

"Johnson?" asked the sergeant.

"Nobody here by that name. 'Indian Lucy' and 'Scared-Death' are the only prisoners we have."

That made Mr. Stein mad, and he blamed it all on the innocent Gisselbrecht, and they didn't hold any more communications for some time.

But it's all off now; the mix-up has been explained, and Stein and Gisselbrecht are good friends again.

OF HUMAN INTEREST;
STORIES OF THE DAY

Two Fish Stories.

Here is a fish story from Shamrock, R. I.:

A winter sport of fishing through the ice for pickerel has had its accustomed calm broken by a dispute, which it is said, threatened to spread until it reached the South county into two rival camps. The trouble arose in a dispute between two local anglers as to which was the better hook for pickerel, worm or minnow. It was decided that the two fishermen should settle the question by a trial, each to fish with the hook and line into a hole chopped through the ice of a nearby pond. Timers were present to tell beyond question of dispute which caught the first fish and a referee was empowered to settle all disputes of procedure between the advocates of the minnow and the worm.

Both felt a little at the same time, and they pulled in together, the minnow fish with the two hooks in its mouth. Careful examination by the referee showed that the minnow had swallowed the worm and the pickerel had swallowed the minnow. The two at once. Now the referee is trying to decide which caught the fish. The situation is becoming acute.

At the risk of our reputation for truth and veracity we relate the following conclusion:

A little girl from Richmond was once fishing off the dock at shoreward City, N. C., for "pin fish." She had a line of thread for fishing line and a leaded pin for hook. She caught a little minnow, about two inches long, and was drawing it in when she felt a tug. She pulled and caught the fish and swallowed it. The water was clear and the big fish was plainly to be seen. She was standing by, took the line and attempted to land the minnow, but as soon as the big fish realized that she was hooked, it gave a jump, and she snapped the slender line, and swam away to enjoy his stolen meal.

The Bell Came Back.

Mr. William Alden Smith, representative from the Grand Rapids, Mich., district, was once defendant's attorney at a trial on a criminal charge. The prosecuting witness was known to be a bad reputation. Mr. Smith naturally made the most of that fact.

One of his witnesses was a stalwart blacksmith, a conspicuous feature of which was a long white beard falling over his broad chest.

"Do you know the family of the complaining witness in this trial?" asked Attorney Smith.

"I do," replied the blacksmith, in stolid tones.

"What is their reputation, good or bad?"

"Bad" (in the same stolid tones).

The prosecuting attorney, to whom the witness was known to be a bad reputation, was a clever man at cross-examination.

"Haven't you had trouble with the father of my client?" he inquired in exultant, but impressive manner.

"Yes," replied the blacksmith deliberately. "No."

"No trouble at all?"

"No," there was no known trouble.

"I accused him of stealing the bell off my bridle cow."

"Yes," rejoined the blacksmith of venerable beard, "but he bought the bell back next day."—Washington Post.

It Was Splendid.

A Kentucky distiller tells this story at the expense of Justice Harlan, of the United States Supreme Court. They were mixed up in a reception in Washington, and the hostess rallied the justice on his failure to drink more than one glass of punch.

"I felt drowsy to drink his toast then straight, adding that just then he was out of his senses, tipsy in his mind."

The distiller, then, venting his wrath to his manager, who sent the justice a case of his best. Next Sunday

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Why use gelatin and spend hours cooking, sweetening, flavoring and coloring when

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LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—EVENING PAPER. N. CARY and Thirteenth and Main and Twelfth Streets, a PHOTOGRAPH of three persons. The missing man is a young man. Finder will please return to 631 N. Fourth Street, City.

LOST—YESTERDAY EVENING. GOLD harvest moon PIN. Reward if returned to 24 W. Grace.

HELP WANTED—Male.

MAN—WANTED. A RELIABLE, STOUT, strong, young colored man to clean, wash dishes and do general cleaning. Apply at 10 o'clock A. M., Restaurant 910 E. Main.

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SEVERAL PERSONS OF CHARACTER and good reputation in each State to represent and advertise old established, wealthy business houses of solid financial standing; all to \$250 weekly with expenses paid. All payable in cash direct each Wednesday from headquarters. Home and traveling expenses necessary; references. Enclose self-addressed envelope. COLONIAL CO., 331 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

SALESMAN—WE ARE AN OLD-ESTABLISHED, A. H. RUBIN, in the selling of a new and improved line of goods. We want a hustler to represent us. If you are seeking another line to manufacture and sell, and your time is not fully occupied, it will pay you to write us. Will give liberal commission and exclusive territory. We have ability and proper acquaintances. Address JUBILEE LINE, care this office.

WANTED, GOOD MAN ON WOODWORKING machines, accustomed to lay out work; expert on shapers, lathes, etc. Must be experienced and capable. Apply to JAMES G. WILSON MFG. CO., of Norfolk, Va., care Jefferson Hotel, City.

WANTED, A MAN TO TRAVEL FOR CORPORATION; salary at \$30 per month and expenses must be shown. Knowledge of street railways. Address Box 662, care this office.

WANTED, BY LEADING WINDOW GLASS jobbing house of New York City, handling complete lines, a representative for Richmond and vicinity. Apply, with references, Saturday evening, to H. D. TRAVEL, Hotel Jefferson.

WANTED, GOOD MACHINIST; ALSO a die and tool maker; state age, salary expected, and vicinity. Apply to JAMES G. WILSON MFG. CO., of Norfolk, Va., care Jefferson Hotel, City.

WANTED, A WORKING FOREMAN ON MY farm in Henrico county, near Richmond. Apply, with references, to T. C. WILLIAMS, Jr., 112 East Main Street.

WANTED, FIRST-CLASS, EXPERIENCED manager for hotel and restaurant; must be a good cook and have references. Address H. T. Y., care this office.

WANTED, A RELIABLE WHITE MALE person to represent a reliable organization; big money to right person. C. W. DOWNEY, Rutherford, N. C.

SITUATION WANTED—Male

ENGINEER WISHES SITUATION OF ANY kind in or out of city; also first-class man and steam fitter; handy with all kinds of machinery. Address R. MOORE, 801 E. Franklin Street, City.

HELP WANTED—Female.

COOK—WANTED. A WOMAN TO COOK AND do general house cleaning. Apply No. 145 West Franklin Street.

WANTED, AT ONCE, A COLORED GIRL or woman for general house work and plain cooking for small family; must be recommended. THE SMITH PRINTING TYPEWRITER CO., Employment Department, 82 E. Main St., Richmond, Va.

WANTED, BY A REFINED LADY, A SITUATION as companion or care of invalid. Address C. J., Box 10, Round Hill, Loudoun county, Va.

SALESMAN WANTED.

TRAVELING SALESMEN ON COMMISSION to carry three samples of men's shoes retail at \$1.50; state territory covered, experience, references. THE SMITH PRINTING TYPEWRITER CO., Employment Department, 82 E. Main St., Richmond, Va.

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SKATING.

SKATES SHARPENED AND HOLLOW ground at BLENNER'S, 319 N. Fifth Street.

the two men met in the church, of which Mr. Harlan is a deacon. The distiller was known to be a bad reputation. Mr. Smith naturally made the most of that fact.

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BANK CLEARINGS.

Table Giving Figures for Chief Cities of the Country.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet's, shows the bank clearings at a number of the principal cities for the week ending January 7, with the percentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year. Sixty-four other cities are included in the totals:

New York, \$1,318,689,800; decrease, 33.9. Chicago, \$1,024,633,239; decrease, 14.3. Boston, \$1,437,739,700; decrease, 7.9. Philadelphia, \$1,044,508,700; decrease, 24.8. St. Louis, \$1,438,909,000; increase, 1.1. Pittsburgh, \$1,477,176; decrease, 16.7. San Francisco, \$1,024,633,239; decrease, 9.5. Baltimore, \$1,225,078; decrease, 15.2. Cincinnati, \$1,243,401; decrease, 17.2. Kansas City, \$1,115,231; increase, 4.7. New Orleans, \$1,255,231; increase, 45.2. Richmond, \$5,619,628; increase, 11.7. Washington, \$1,406,044; decrease, 18.9. Savannah, \$1,132,150; decrease, 25.5. Memphis, \$1,058,831; increase, 39.7. Fort Worth, \$1,028,427; increase, 55.4. Atlanta, \$1,481,329; increase, 7.9. Nashville, \$1,348,670; increase, 10.1. Norfolk, \$1,179,750; decrease, 10.1. Augusta, \$1,179,520; decrease, 15.2. Birmingham, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Little Rock, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Knoxville, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Macon, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Chattanooga, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Jacksonville, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Houston, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Cleveland, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Charleston, \$1,179,520; decrease, 12.3. Totals: United States, \$2,265,000,000; decrease, 26.5. Outside New York, \$1,179,520; decrease, 11.7. Canada, \$1,179,520; decrease, 18.2.

Weekly Cotton Statement.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 8.—Secretary Hittler's weekly cotton exchange statement, issued today, shows for the eight

days of January an increase over last year of two thousand, and a decrease over the same period of the previous year of 54,000.

For the one hundred and thirty days of the season that have elapsed the average is ahead of the same days of last year 12,000, and ahead of the same days of the season of 1902-03, 11,000.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 23,141, against 22,312 for the same seven days last year, and 22,649 for the same period of 1902-03.

The movement since September 1 shows receipts at all United States ports to be 48,111 against 51,610 last year. Overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 41,128 against 63,116 last year. Total of the United States, before and after, 89,239 against 114,726 last year.

Exports to foreign ports from the last crop and 25,000 from the last crop have been 24,224 against 21,565 last year, making the total thus far for the season 44,827 against 57,683 last year. The total exports of American cotton to North and South America thus far for the season have been 1,066,724 against 2,014,949 last year.

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